



# TOWN OF TRURO

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## RENTING OR LEASING BUILDINGS BYLAW

*Original bylaw enacted in February, 1964. Amendments enacted at October 21, 1992 Special Town Meeting, March 8, 1994 Special Town Meeting and November 16, 1999 Special Town Meeting.*

"Unless a building is otherwise licensed, no building shall be leased or rented residentially for any rental or lease period of one hundred twenty or fewer days until the building or appropriate portion of the building has been registered with the town's Licensing Agent. Separate rental or lease periods totaling more than one hundred days in any calendar year will not excuse compliance with this bylaw if any single rental or lease period is one hundred twenty days or fewer in length. The rental or lease of summer homes is the principal, but not exclusive, subject of this Bylaw. Any building or portion thereof which must be registered in accordance with this Bylaw must be so registered each year, and a fee may be charged for this registration. This fee shall be fixed annually by the Board of Selectmen, and the amount of this fee shall bear a reasonable relationship to both the cost of administering the rental registration program and the benefits conferred upon the property owners and the tenants.

The tenant occupying a portion or all of a building registered in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw shall be eligible to park at all Town beach lots, including those facilities available only to holders of a resident's beach sticker, and shall be eligible for a beach parking sticker issued at a non-resident's rate. Regardless of the length of their occupancy, such tenants shall become eligible for off road vehicle (ORV) permits at non-resident rates, and they shall also become eligible for transfer station stickers at non-resident rates. The funds generated by the rental registration fees shall be available generally to defray the costs of registration record keeping, the administration of the beach program, the maintenance and improvement of Town beaches and parking lots, the installation of signs, the furnishing of sanitary facilities, the provision facilities for the physically handicapped, and the supply or operation of associated amenities.

Failure to comply with this bylaw shall subject the owner to a fine of not more than \$200.00 for each offense, and each year of non-registration shall constitute a separate offense.

Any building or portion thereof registered as required by the provisions of this Bylaw shall have conspicuously posted therein a certificate of registration together with a copy of this act."

**NOTE:** Property owners with local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges which are in arrears for not less than a twelve-month period will be DENIED Beach parking Permits AND will be unable to register their property. This will include permits for your tenants.

If you have any questions on your taxes, please call the Tax Collector at (508) 349-7004, ext. 14.